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: RECOMBINANT NUCLEIC
: ACIDS CIRCULARIZED BY
: DNA COMPACTING AGENTS



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CLAIM OF EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, hereby respectfully claim a three (3) month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) extending the time for Response to the outstanding Official Action dated November 6, 2002 from February 6, 2003 to May 6, 2003.

A check in the amount of \$930.00 is being submitted herewith pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b).

Confirmation of the foregoing Extension of Time is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1442. A duplicate copy of this claim is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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